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Welcome, Office of Apprenticeship!

We are excited to announce that the Office of Apprenticeship is fully integrated into the Workforce Integrated Performance System!

The Office of Apprenticeship began awarding discretionary grants in 2016 to support the expansion of Registered Apprenticeships, and the integration of the workforce and apprenticeship systems. Currently, there are three programs dedicated exclusively to registered apprenticeships: Apprenticeship State Expansion (ASE) grants, State Building Capacity and Apprenticeship Expansion Grants (SAE2020) and Youth Apprenticeship Readiness grants (YARG). Grantee types include States, non-profits, municipalities, for-profits, workforce and education entities. All future registered apprenticeship grants will also utilize WIPS.

At this time, a BETA group of grantees will start to acclimate themselves with the system with the hopes of submitting their first CSV file and certifying by the November 15th deadline, with the full group of three programs implementing WIPS reporting starting in **February 2021**.

Transition from PIRL 2018 to PIRL 2020

Announcements

- The WIPS 17.3 release was deployed on October 5th, please find the release notes attached.
- All inquiries sent directly to the WIOA.Feedback@dol.gov inbox will **NOT** be responded to, please utilize the WIPS Technical Assistance Forms.

Dates of Interest

- **Thursday, October 1st**
Beginning of the FY21 fiscal year and PY20 Q1 Reporting Begins
- **Monday, October 12th**
Columbus Day,
Government Holiday -
Federal Offices Closed

Resetting Your Password

First, make sure your WIPS username is in all **LOWERCASE** letters when attempting to login. If you still need to reset your password after verifying your username is in all lowercase

Through the 17.3 WIPS release, the Workforce Integrated Performance System (WIPS) will be supporting two different Participant Individual Record Layout (PIRL) documents, PIRL 2018 and PIRL 2020, so users have time to transition to the new version of the PIRL without interruptions to reporting. Due to the approval of the material changes to the WIOA DOL-only Information Collection Request (OMB Control No. 1205-0521), PIRL 2020 has been revised to include additional data elements specific to Apprenticeship performance reporting. **Beginning with the report quarter ending 9/30/2020, this change will impact how grantees submit performance records in WIPS.**

PY 2020 will serve as a transition period from the previous version of the PIRL 2018 (approved November 20, 2019) to the current version of the PIRL 2020 (approved June 8, 2020). WIPS users will have to first select the version of the PIRL before choosing a schema. All Apprenticeship data submissions must only use PIRL 2020, as only the PIRL 2020 schemas include the Apprenticeship specific data elements. **For detailed reporting instructions to help WIPS users navigate how to select the 2018 or 2020 version of the PIRL, please see the PDF attached.**

If you have any questions, please fill out the WIPS Technical Assistance Request form found within the WIPS interface or on Doleta.gov.

letters, select **Forgot your password?** on the WIPS login page. From here you will enter in your email address and select **SEND EMAIL**.

Please make sure to check your spam folder if you don't see an email with the subject Password Reset in your inbox. Please note, the email will be sent from Appian and this email will expire in 15 minutes.

Questions?

If there are any questions or concerns about the information provided, please submit an inquiry through the WIPS Technical Assistance Request Form found within the WIPS interface.



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